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1. IN LETTER DATED APRIL 7, L.K. DAVYDOV, DEPUTY CHIEF, FOREIGN
RELATIONS DEPT., MINISTRY OF NON-FERROUS METALLURGY, HAS ASKED
ME TO TRANSMIT FOLLOWING PROPOSED PROGRAM FOR DELEGATION
TO AIME AND BUMINES:

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ARRIVE IN MOSCOW
REST

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MOSCOW: (1) MEETINGS AT MINISTRY OF NON-FERROUS METALLURGY:
PRELIMINARY DISCUSSION OF COOPERATION PROGRAM FOR 1977-78 AND DRAFT
OF JOINT DOCUMENT REGARDING ESTABLISHMENT OF THIS COOPERATION.
(2) AFTER LUNCH, VISIT TO PARK OF NATIONAL ECONOMIC ACHIEVEMENTS
(METALLURGY PAVILION, ETC.)

13 MAY

MOSCOW: (1) JOINT SYMPOSIUM ON MINING QUESTIONS IN GINTSVETMET INSTITUTE: PRESENTATIONS BY SOVIET AND AMERICAN SPECIALISTS ON PREDICTION OF ROCK BURSTS AND STABILIZING SLOPES OF OPEN PIT MINES. (2) ALSO AT THIS TIME, MEETINGS BETWEEN SPECIALISTS TO DISCUSS CURRENT METALLURGICAL PROBLEMS.

14 MAY

MOSCOW: (1) SIGHTSEEING. (2) DEPART 2355 FOR LENINGRAD ON "RED ARROW" EXPRESS TRAIN.

15 MAY

ARRIVAL IN LENINGRAD AND SIGHTSEEING.

16 MAY

LENINGRAD: VISIT TO "MEKHANOBR" INSTITUTE FOR DISCUSSION OF BENEFICIATION PROBLEMS

17 MAY

FLIGHT FROM LENINGRAD TO TASHKENT

18 MAY

TASHKENT: VISIT TO ALMALYK MINING-METALLURGICAL COMPLEX
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19 MAY

TASHKENT: CONTINUATION OF VISIT TO ALMALYK COMPLEX

20 MAY

TASHKENT: EXCURSION TO SAMARKAND

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TASHKENT: EXCURSION TO BUKHARA

22 MAY

TRAVEL TO KENTAU

23 MAY

KENTAU/ VISIT TO MIRGALIMSAY LEAD MINE

24 MAY

RETURN TO MOSCOW

25 MAY

MOSCOW: MEETING AT MINISTRY OF NON-FERROUS METALLURGY: SIGNATURE
OF DOCUMENT ON COOPERATION PROGRAM

26 MAY

DEPARTURE FROM USSR

2. IN COVERING LETTER DAVYDOV OUTLINES FOLLOWING GOALS FOR
VISIT: (A) ESTABLISHMENT OF SCIENTIFIC-TECHNICAL COOPERATION
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IN NON-FERROUS METALLURGY BETWEEN MINISTRY AND AIME WITH SIGNATURE OF
JOINT DOCUMENT SETTING FORTH BASIS OF COOPERATION AND AGREEMENT
ON CONCRETE PROGRAM FOR 1977-1978, (B) CONDUCT OF JOINT
SYMPOSIUM ON PROBLEMS OF ROCK BURSTS AND STABILIZING OPEN PIT SLOPES,
(C) VISITS TO NON-FERROUS ENTERPRISES. HE NOTES THAT SOVIET
SPECIALISTS WILL PRESENT TWO PAPERS AT SYMPOSIUM AND PROMISED TO
SPECIFY SPEAKERS AND EXACT TOPICS (PLUS TEXTS) AT A LATTER DATE.
IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUGGESTION IN YOUR JANUARY 7 LETTER, MINISTRY
ALSO PROPOSES TO ORGANIZE INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS OF CURRENT NON-
FERROUS METALLURGICAL PROBLEMS BETWEEN AMERICAN AND SOVIET
SPECIALISTS CONCURRENTLY WITH SEMINAR SESSIONS. LETTER AGAIN
STRESSES MINISTRY'S INTEREST IN HAVING BUMINES' OFFICIALS INCLUDED
IN DELEGATION. FINALLY, DAVYDOV ASKS THAT WE LET HIM KNOW ASAP:
(A) IF PROPOSED PROGRAM IS ACCEPTABLE TO AIME AND BUMINES, (B) SIZE
OF AMERICAN DELEGATION AND (IF POSSIBLE) ITS COMPOSITION, (C)
THEMES OF U.S. SYMPOSIUM PAPERS, AND (D) ANY OTHER COMMENTS ON PRO-
GRAM.

3. BALL IS NOW IN OUR COURT. IN PREPARING REPLY YOU MAY WISH TO
CONSIDER FOLLOWING:

A. IT APPEARS MINISTRY HAS ACCEDED TO YOUR REQUEST
FOR MEETINGS IN METALLURGY AREA DURING SYMPOSIUM PERIOD.
UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES IT MAY BE UNNECESSARY TO PUSH FOR
FORMAL ADDITION OF METALLURGY TOPICS TO SEMINAR, BUT YOU
SHOULD SPECIFY INsofar AS POSSIBLE WHAT YOUR METALLURGY SPECIALISTS
WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS AND WITH WHOM IN THESE INFORMAL SESSIONS.

B. MINISTRY WELCOMES INTRODUCTION OF COMMERCIAL ASPECTS
INTO EXCHANGE PROGRAM, BUT BUREAUCRATIC PROBLEMS PREVENT
ITS OFFICIALS FROM TAKING STRONG INITIATIVE. SUGGEST, THEREFORE,

THAT YOUR STRESS THIS INTEREST IN REPLY AND SPECIFICALLY REQUEST
THAT PROGRAM INCLUDE MEETINGS WITH OFFICIALS OF V/O LITSENZINGORG
(FOREIGN TRADE ORGANIZATION WHICH BUYS AND SELLS LICENSES AND TECH-
NOLOGY) AND POSSIBLY OTHER FTOS. I KNOW, FOR EXAMPLE, THAT SOVIETS
ARE ATTEMPTING TO SELL EQUIPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY FOR ROCK BURSTS
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PREDICTION.

C. YOU ARE IN BEST POSITION TO JUDGE WHETHER TRIP TO LENINGRAD
WORTHWHILE, BUT PROGRAM COULD CERTAINLY BE SHORTENED IN OTHER PLACES.
EASIEST WAY WOULD BE TO SCHEDULE ARRIVAL ON SATURDAY OR SUNDAY SO
ONLY ONE MID-PROGRAM WEEKEND NEED BE DEVOTED TO SIGHTSEEING.

D. TELECON WITH DAVYDOV INDICATED THAT SECOND HALF OF JUNE
WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE, BUT SUGGEST YOU BE AS SPECIFIC AS POSSIBLE
IN PROPOSING DATES AND ACTIVITIES.

E. SINCE THIS PROGRAM WILL BE SUI GENERIS, AIME AND MINISTRY WILL
ENJOY FLEXIBILITY IN WORKING OUT DETAILS. RECOMMEND, THEREFORE, THAT
YOU TAKE INITIATIVE AND FOLLOW AIME PRESIDENT'S LETTER WITH
YOUR DRAFT DOCUMENT ESTABLISHING PROGRAM TO SERVE A BASIS OF
DISCUSSION IN JUNE.

F. EARLY REPLY WILL BE HELPFUL IN KEEPING MOMENTUM GOING.

5. I AM REPEATING THIS MESSAGE TO COMMERCE DEPT, AND BUMINES.

REGARDS,

TODD STEWART
COMMERCIAL OFFICE
AMERICAN EMBASSY
MOSCOW, USSR
TOON

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